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SUBJECT: NEW YORK TIMES SUMMARY MAY 28

WATERGATE SURFACES ON FRONT PAGE IN SMALL TWO- COLUMN REPORT THAT THE FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES COMMITTEE HAS CALLED WATERGATE AFFAIR LOWEST POINT IN CAMPAIGN TACTICS IN 20 YEARS, BUT TIMES HAD NO EDITORIAL ON WATERGATE FOR FIRST TIME IN WEEKS. REPORT ON WATERGATE DEVELOPMENTS CONTAINED MOSTLY COMMENTARY BY OBSERVERS BUT INCLUDED ONE DISCLOSURE THAT BERNARD FENSTERWALD, LAWYER FOR MCCORD, MADE FALSE STATEMENTS DURING HIS QUESTIONING OF KEY WITNESS WHILE SERVING AS COUNSEL TO SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE INVESTIGATING ELECTRONIC SNOOPING IN THE MID- NINETEEN- SIXTIES ACCORDING TO SOURCES CLOSE TO INVESTIGATION.

ON INSIDE PAGE TIMES REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT NIXON ORDERED INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHAT FORCED AN ARMY HELICOPTER TO CRASH WHILE TAKING SECRET SERVICE AGENTS TO GUARD HIM ON BAHAMA ISLAND.

ON OPED PAGE ANTHONY LEWIS SAYS WATERGATE NOT MERELY RESULT OF PERSONALITY OF PRESIDENT NIXON BUT INDICATIVE OF DISREGARD FOR AMERICAN SYSTEM OF LAW AND CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER BROUGHT ABOUT BY EXCESSIVE CENTRALIZATION OF AUTHORITY IN PRESIDENT. MARTIN GARBUS SAYS PRESIDENT NIXON SHOULD BE JUDGED BY THE STANDARDS APPLIED BY BAR ASSOCIATIONS AND IF THE A. B. A. UNCLASSIFIED

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DETERMINES THAT HE HAS FAILED TO MEET THE STANDARDS OF HIS PROFESSION, HE SHOULD BE DISCIPLINED OR DISBARED.

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